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Sir:

Applicant petitions to extend the time for response to the Final Office Action dated October 10, 2003 to and including April 10, 2004. A check in the amount of \$950.00 for payment of the three (3) month extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

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